

The following are comments on Petition for Rulmaking RM-11346 submitted by Murray Green and received by the Commission on December 9, 2005. In this petition, the Commission is asked to amend Rule 97.119(a) to require an amateur radio station to transmit its assigned call sign at least every thirty minutes, as opposed to the current requirement for identification every ten minutes or less.

As an amateur radio operator, I do not believe the current rules for amateur station identification reflect an “abundance of caution” on the Commission’s part. Additionally, I see no motivation for, or benefit to, “harmonizing” Amateur Service rules for identification with those of other radio services. The currently required ten-minute interval serves well, and has for years. I see no reason to adopt the requested rule change.

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